

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the pending application is respectfully requested on the basis of the following particulars:

Objections to the specification

The specification is presently objected to because of informalities. Specifically, the examiner notes that a reference number "23" in line 22 of page 5 should be changed to "63." The specification has been amended accordingly, by changing the reference number "23" in line 22 of page 5 to "63." Withdrawal of this objection is therefore respectfully requested.

Rejection of claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claim 12 presently stands rejected as being indefinite. Claim 12 has been cancelled, rendering this rejection moot.

Provisional double patenting rejection of claims 1-12

Claims 1-12 are presently provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over certain claims of copending Application No. 10/828,314. It is respectfully submitted that the Terminal Disclaimer filed herewith serves to overcome this rejection. Withdrawal of this rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

Rejection of claims 1, 7, 8, and 12 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

Claims 1, 7, 8, and 12 presently stand rejected as being unpatentable over Lee et al. (U.S. 2005/0145075). It is respectfully submitted, however, that claims 2-6 and 9-11, which are only subject to the double patenting rejection discussed above and overcome by the Terminal Disclaimer filed herewith, are allowable.

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In this regard, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 2. New independent claims 13, 18, and 23 have been added, corresponding to the limitations of the original claim 1 combined with the allowable subject matter of claims 3, 5, and 9, respectively. New dependent claims have been added, wherein new claims 14-18 (corresponding to the original claims 2, 4, 7, and 8) depend from new claim 13, new claims 19-22 (corresponding to the original claims 6-9) depend from new claim 18, and new claims 24-28 (corresponding to the original claims 7, 8, 10, and 11) depend from new claim 23. Original claims 2, 4-6, and 9-12 have been cancelled.

It is respectfully submitted that the amended claim 1 and the new independent claims 13, 18, and 23, along with their respective dependent claims, are allowable. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

#### Conclusion

In view of the amendments to the claims, and in further view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is requested that claims 1, 3, 7, 8, and 13-28 be allowed and the application be passed to issue.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the Applicant's attorney, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown.

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